

Service Date: March 10, 1982

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER of the Application)	
of Billings Heights Water District)	UTILITY DIVISION
for Authority to Adopt Increased)	DOCKET NO. 81.12.112
Water Rates.)	DEFAULT ORDER NO. 4886
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On December 15, 1981, Billings Heights Water District (Applicant) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission for an order authorizing the applicant to increase its water rates to provide additional revenue to defray increased costs of operation to maintain, repair, and improve the water utility facilities.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A Notice of Opportunity for Public Hearing was published in the February 5, 1982 edition of the Billings Gazette. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by March 2, 1982, an appropriate order would be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application.

2. No requests for a hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. The Applicant alleges it needs additional revenue to defray increased costs of operation, to maintain, repair, and improve the

existing water system and to meet increased capital expenditures.

4. The Applicant anticipates that the proposed increase in the rates will increase annual revenues by approximately \$46,300.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter.

2. Interested persons were given proper notice and an opportunity to request a public hearing on this matter.

3. The resulting rate levels are reasonable and just.

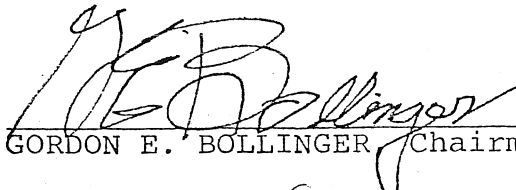
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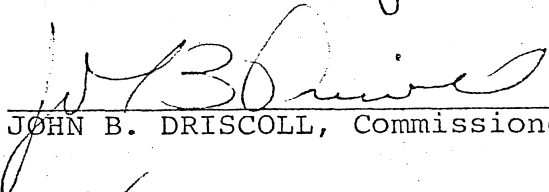
1. The rates, as filed with the application, are hereby authorized.

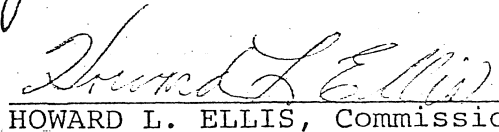
2. These rates shall be effective for all water services rendered on and after March 8, 1982.

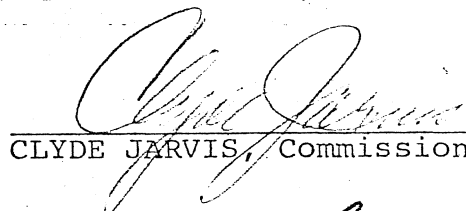
DONE IN OPEN SESSION in Helena, Montana on March 8, 1982 by
a 5 - 0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.


GORDON E. BOLLINGER, Chairman


JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

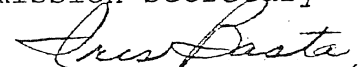

HOWARD L. ELLIS, Commissioner


CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner


THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Madeline L. Cottrill
Commission Secretary

By: , Acting Secretary
(SEAL)

NOTE: You may be entitled to judicial review of the final decision in this matter. If no Motion for Reconsideration is filed, judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days from the service of this order. If a Motion for Reconsideration is filed, a Commission order is final for purpose of appeal upon the entry of a ruling on that motion, or upon the passage of ten (10) days following the filing of that motion. cf. the Montana Administrative Procedure Act, esp. Sec. 2-4-702, MCA; and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38.2.4806 ARM.